



Agriculture and Markets

Round 19 Farmland Protection Implementation Grants (FPIG)

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS (RFA)

Categorical Details

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WELCOME

- (~75 minutes) **Categories of Viable Agricultural Lands**
- (~5 minutes) **Category-specific Eligible Costs**
- (~5 minutes) **Category-specific Match Requirements & Stipulations**
- (<5 minutes) **Category-specific Project Deliverables**
- (<5 minutes) **Category-specific Policy Guidance**
- (~30 minutes) **Category-specific Program Specific Questions**

ADJOURN

NOTE: All questions must be submitted in writing; please send to: david.behm@agriculture.ny.gov

Answers to initial questions submitted by 6/9/2023 will be posted by 6/16/2023 and may be subsequently updated with additional questions/answers as deemed necessary.

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Categories of Viable Agricultural Lands

An eligible project must satisfy all project eligibility criteria:

1. the type of Farm Operation and/or characteristics of the lands to be protected;

View Regional Farm Size Data from 2017 Census of Agriculture

Appendix A-1: Project Eligibility Criteria Checklist – Access to Farmland

Appendix A-2: Project Eligibility Criteria Checklist – Agroforestry

Appendix A-3: Project Eligibility Criteria Checklist – Climate Resiliency

Appendix A-4: Project Eligibility Criteria Checklist – Equine

Appendix A-5: Project Eligibility Criteria Checklist – Field Crops

Appendix A-6: Project Eligibility Criteria Checklist – Food Security

View examples of an acceptable Foodshed Map on next few pages

Appendix A-7: Project Eligibility Criteria Checklist – Livestock or Livestock Products

Appendix A-8: Project Eligibility Criteria Checklist – Source Water Protection

Appendix A-9: Project Eligibility Criteria Checklist – Horticultural Specialties

Appendix A-10: Project Eligibility Criteria Checklist – Viable Agricultural Land-Other

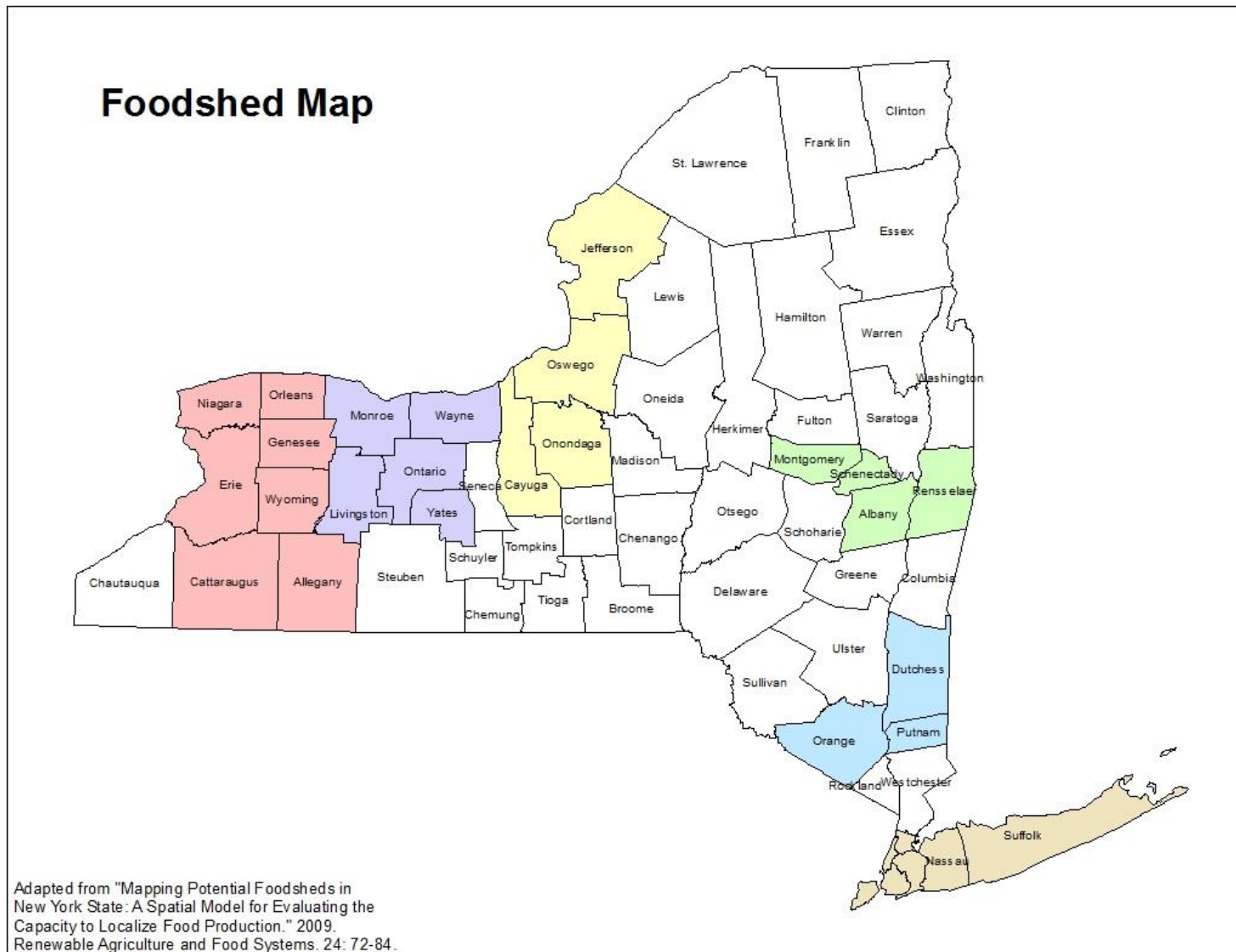
Appendix A-11: Project Eligibility Criteria Checklist – Vineyard

View New York Wine Regions map

View [American Viticultural Areas of New York](#) online

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Appendix B: Foodshed Map



SAMPLE Town Agricultural and Farmland Protection Plan



22 farms were identified through interviews and the Google Map that is linked to the town's Agriculture and Farmland Protection website, including 7 dairy farms, 5 cattle, cow or hog farms, 3 crop farms and 6 other farms which range from an apiary to a llama farm.

1. Blumer Farm – Dairy
2. Baker Farm – Dairy
3. Hunter Farm – Dairy
4. Denison Farm – Dairy
5. Martin Farm – Dairy
6. O'Neill Farm – Dairy
7. Heintz Farm – Dairy
8. Bagley Farm – Beef
9. Hulse Farm – Beef, Cows & Hogs
10. Mapely Farm – Cattle
11. Unknown Farm – Cattle, Cows & Hogs
12. Unknown – Beef
13. O'Neill Farm – Organic Crops
14. Daley Farm – Crops
15. Ray Farm – Crops
16. Homing Farm – Unknown
17. Stephenson Farm – Horses
18. Turner/Conley Farm – Vegetables
19. Unknown – Livestock
20. Unknown – Horses
21. Unknown – Horses
22. Unknown – Asparagus

OTHER DATA FROM THE CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

Data from the USDA shows that the agricultural economy of Cato is comprised of professional farmers who live on the farm that they operate and fully own. In 2007, over 50% of farm operators in Cato reported farming as their primary occupation and over 90% said they live on the farm they operate. More than half of Cato's agricultural operations are fully owned by the operator.

	1997	2002	2003
Full Ownership	16	13	1
Part Ownership	12	8	1
Tenant	1	2	

Table 3: Farm Structure

	1997	2002	2007
% operators reporting principal occupation as farming %	57%	61%	52%
% operators living on farm operated	87%	90%	82%

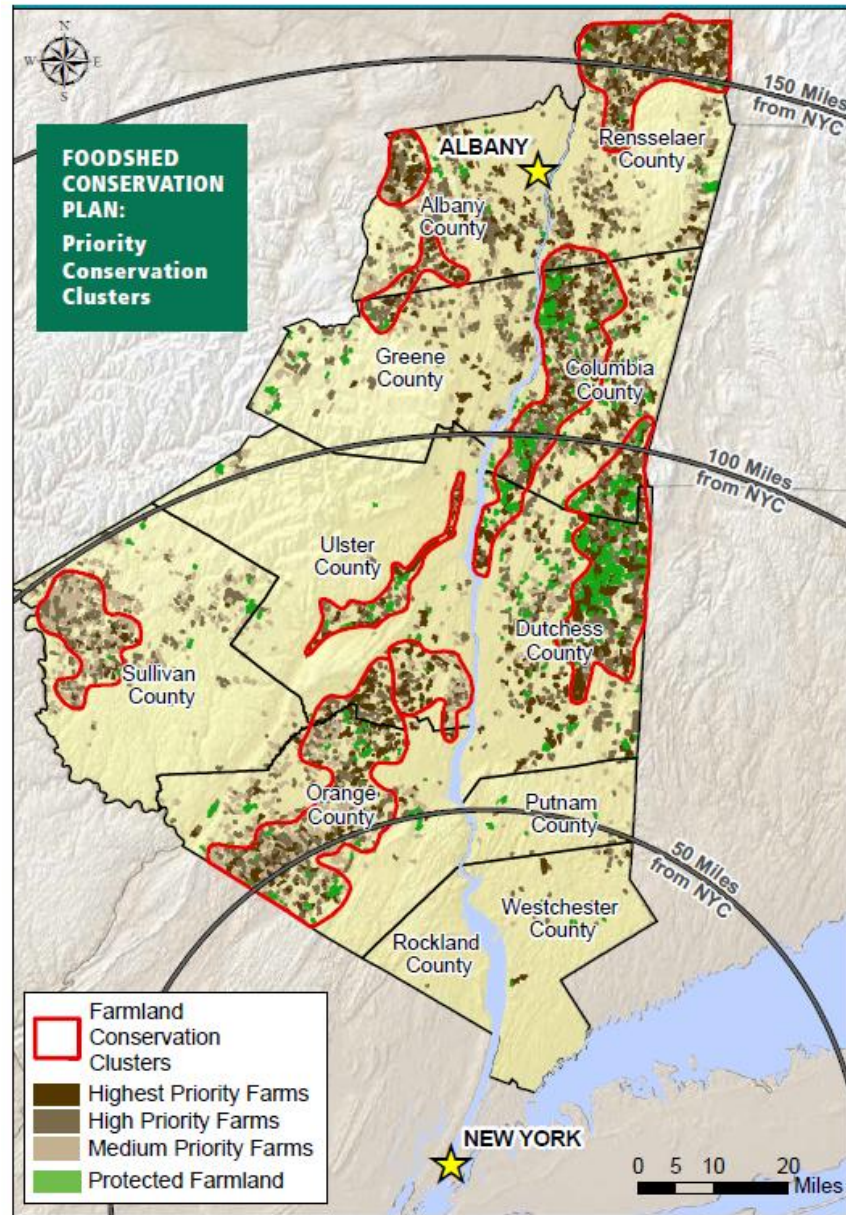
Table 4: Farm Operator Occupations by Residence Status

¹The United States Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service (USDA NASS) conducts a Census of Agriculture every five years. The data is reported for a number of geographic levels including national, state, county, and zip code levels. Zip code data is the most appropriate level for use in looking at changes between the Town of Cape throughout the years. The zip codes 10073, 10074, 10075, 10076, 10077, 10078, 10079, 10080, 10081, 10082, 10083, 10084, 10085, 10086, 10087, 10088, 10089, 10090, 10091, 10092, 10093, 10094, 10095, 10096, 10097, 10098, 10099, 10100, 10101, 10102, 10103, 10104, 10105, 10106, 10107, 10108, 10109, 10110, 10111, 10112, 10113, 10114, 10115, 10116, 10117, 10118, 10119, 10120, 10121, 10122, 10123, 10124, 10125, 10126, 10127, 10128, 10129, 10130, 10131, 10132, 10133, 10134, 10135, 10136, 10137, 10138, 10139, 10140, 10141, 10142, 10143, 10144, 10145, 10146, 10147, 10148, 10149, 10150, 10151, 10152, 10153, 10154, 10155, 10156, 10157, 10158, 10159, 10160, 10161, 10162, 10163, 10164, 10165, 10166, 10167, 10168, 10169, 10170, 10171, 10172, 10173, 10174, 10175, 10176, 10177, 10178, 10179, 10180, 10181, 10182, 10183, 10184, 10185, 10186, 10187, 10188, 10189, 10190, 10191, 10192, 10193, 10194, 10195, 10196, 10197, 10198, 10199, 10200, 10201, 10202, 10203, 10204, 10205, 10206, 10207, 10208, 10209, 10210, 10211, 10212, 10213, 10214, 10215, 10216, 10217, 10218, 10219, 10220, 10221, 10222, 10223, 10224, 10225, 10226, 10227, 10228, 10229, 10230, 10231, 10232, 10233, 10234, 10235, 10236, 10237, 10238, 10239, 10240, 10241, 10242, 10243, 10244, 10245, 10246, 10247, 10248, 10249, 10250, 10251, 10252, 10253, 10254, 10255, 10256, 10257, 10258, 10259, 10260, 10261, 10262, 10263, 10264, 10265, 10266, 10267, 10268, 10269, 10270, 10271, 10272, 10273, 10274, 10275, 10276, 10277, 10278, 10279, 10280, 10281, 10282, 10283, 10284, 10285, 10286, 10287, 10288, 10289, 10290, 10291, 10292, 10293, 10294, 10295, 10296, 10297, 10298, 10299, 10300, 10301, 10302, 10303, 10304, 10305, 10306, 10307, 10308, 10309, 10310, 10311, 10312, 10313, 10314, 10315, 10316, 10317, 10318, 10319, 10320, 10321, 10322, 10323, 10324, 10325, 10326, 10327, 10328, 10329, 10330, 10331, 10332, 10333, 10334, 10335, 10336, 10337, 10338, 10339, 10340, 10341, 10342, 10343, 10344, 10345, 10346, 10347, 10348, 10349, 10350, 10351, 10352, 10353, 10354, 10355, 10356, 10357, 10358, 10359, 10360, 10361, 10362, 10363, 10364, 10365, 10366, 10367, 10368, 10369, 10370, 10371, 10372, 10373, 10374, 10375, 10376, 10377, 10378, 10379, 10380, 10381, 10382, 10383, 10384, 10385, 10386, 10387, 10388, 10389, 10390, 10391, 10392, 10393, 10394, 10395, 10396, 10397, 10398, 10399, 10400, 10401, 10402, 10403, 10404, 10405, 10406, 10407, 10408, 10409, 10410, 10411, 10412, 10413, 10414, 10415, 10416, 10417, 10418, 10419, 10420, 10421, 10422, 10423, 10424, 10425, 10426, 10427, 10428, 10429, 10430, 10431, 10432, 10433, 10434, 10435, 10436, 10437, 10438, 10439, 10440, 10441, 10442, 10443, 10444, 10445, 10446, 10447, 10448, 10449, 10450, 10451, 10452, 10453, 10454, 10455, 10456, 10457, 10458, 10459, 10460, 10461, 10462, 10463, 10464, 10465, 10466, 10467, 10468, 10469, 10470, 10471, 10472, 10473, 10474, 10475, 10476, 10477, 10478, 10479, 10480, 10481, 10482, 10483, 10484, 10485, 10486, 10487, 10488, 10489, 10490, 10491, 10492, 10493, 10494, 10495, 10496, 10497, 10498, 10499, 10500, 10501, 10502, 10503, 10504, 10505, 10506, 10507, 10508, 10509, 10510, 10511, 10512, 10513, 10514, 10515, 10516, 10517, 10518, 10519, 10520, 10521, 10522, 10523, 10524, 10525, 10526, 10527, 10528, 10529, 10530, 10531, 10532, 10533, 10534, 10535, 10536, 10537, 10538, 10539, 10540, 10541, 10542, 10543, 10544, 10545, 10546, 10547, 10548, 10549, 10550, 10551, 10552, 10553, 10554, 10555, 10556, 10557, 10558, 10559, 10560, 10561, 10562, 10563, 10564, 10565, 10566, 10567, 10568, 10569, 10570, 10571, 10572, 10573, 10574, 10575, 10576, 10577, 10578, 10579, 10580, 10581, 10582, 10583, 10584, 10585, 10586, 10587, 10588, 10589, 10590, 10591, 10592, 10593, 10594, 10595, 10596, 10597, 10598, 10599, 10600, 10601, 10602, 10603, 10604, 10605, 10606, 10607, 10608, 10609, 10610, 10611, 10612, 10613, 10614, 10615, 10616, 10617, 10618, 10619, 10620, 10621, 10622, 10623, 10624, 10625, 10626, 10627, 10628, 10629, 10630, 10631, 10632, 10633, 10634, 10635, 10636, 10637, 10638, 10639, 10640, 10641, 10642, 10643, 10644, 10645, 1064



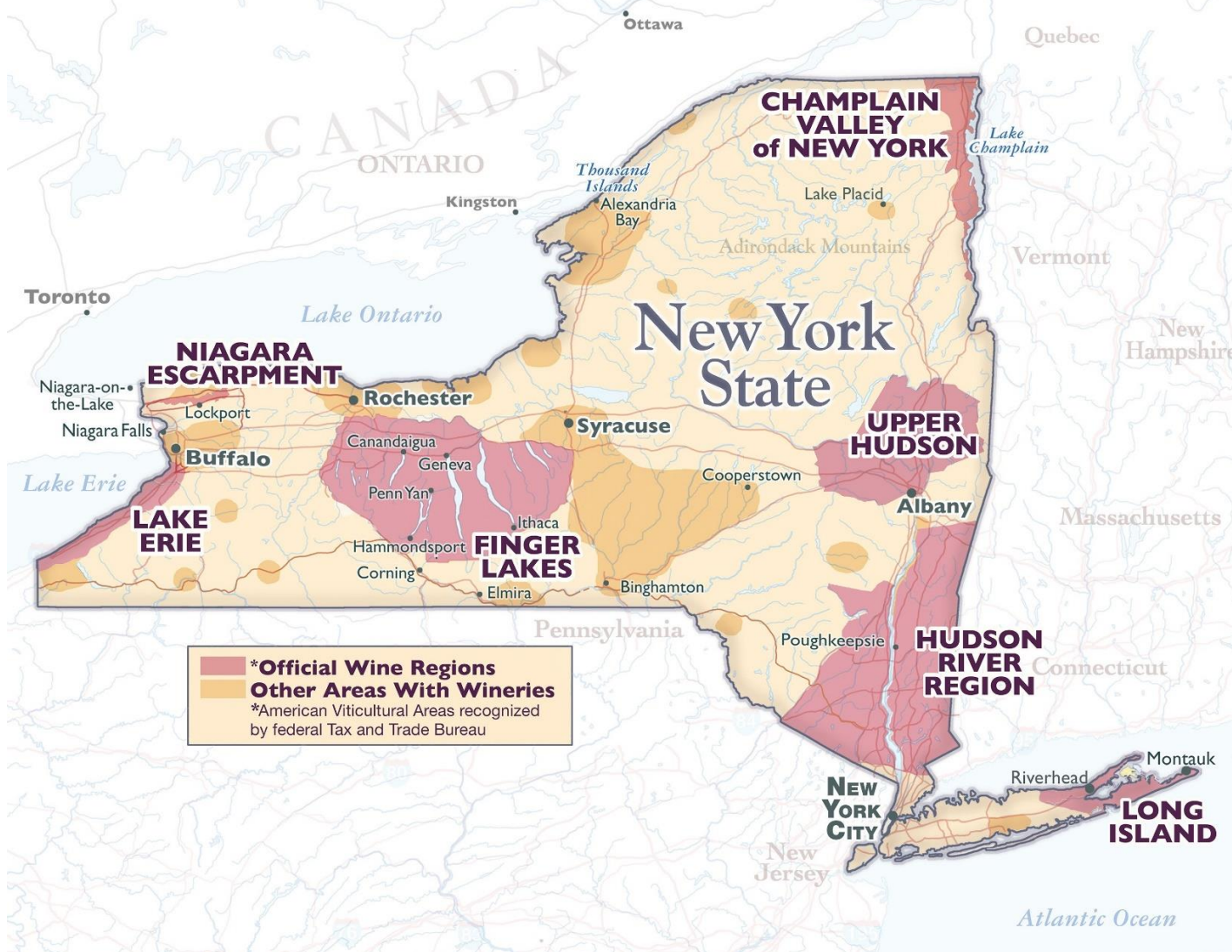
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SAMPLE Foodshed Conservation Plan



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More than 50% of the Farm Operation acreage must be located within any of the American Viticultural Areas of New York¹



¹ Applicant must use the [American Viticultural Area \(AVA\) Map Explorer](#) to obtain a screenshot to verify that more than 50% of the Farm Operation acreage is located within designated American Viticultural Areas of New York.

Categories of Viable Agricultural Lands *(continued)*

3. the percentage (%) of land proposed to be protected by an agricultural conservation easement that must be in *active agricultural production*. **Except as noted for the Agroforestry and Equine categories**, “Active agricultural production” refers to the production of “crops, livestock and livestock products” as that term is defined in section 301 of Article 25-AA of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law); and

ONLY FOR Agroforestry category projects:

“Active Agricultural Production” shall include the production of products from Farm Woodland (as defined in AML 25-AA) in addition to the production of Crops, Livestock and Livestock Products.

ONLY FOR Equine category projects:

“Active Agricultural Production” shall include any portion of the property to be protected on which the horses being produced or boarded are associated with, but not limited to, riding lessons, trail riding activities, horseback riding for therapeutic purposes, or training (including, but not limited to, for the purpose of racing), including any associated structures and improvements (including, but not limited to, horse barn(s), paddocks, race track, riding arena, run-in shed(s), steeplechase course, or trails).

Categories of Viable Agricultural Lands *(continued)*

4. the percentage (%) of *productive soils* associated with the project. Except as noted on the respective Appendix A for the *Food Security, Specialty Crops, and Vineyard categories*, “Productive soils” refers to the sum of Prime Soils (not “Prime if drained”) plus Soils of Statewide Importance (not “Prime” or “Prime if drained”) as determined by the USDA – Natural Resources Conservation Service.

ONLY FOR Food Security OR Specialty Crops OR Vineyard category Conservation Easement Projects, you must submit information (acres and % of proposed easement area) regarding “Unique and irreplaceable agricultural land” as defined in Section 301 of AML Article 25-AA:

6. "Unique and irreplaceable agricultural land" means land which is uniquely suited for the production of high value crops, including, but not limited to fruits, vegetables and horticultural specialties.

For assistance, please consult with your local office of the USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service or with the local Soil and Water Conservation District.

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Eligible Project Costs

2. value of a Preemptive Purchase Right (which shall be ***required for any Food Security category project***), provided:
 - (a) at least twenty-five percent (25%) of each conservation easement area is comprised of Prime Soils² (i.e., not “Prime, if drained” or “Soils of Statewide Importance”), and
 - (b) such value is from an appraisal deemed acceptable to the Department; and
3. one-time incentive payment³ (***applicable only to Climate Resiliency or Source Water Protection category projects***), which shall be equivalent to ten percent (10%) of the value of the development rights being acquired, provided such value associated with any perpetual agricultural conservation easement is from an appraisal deemed acceptable to the Department; and

² This stipulation is waived for any Food Security category project whose size is no more than five (5) acres above the minimum size of projects as noted in Appendix A-6.

³ As depicted on the Financial Worksheet, the incentive payment is one of the itemized eligible transaction costs for an Agricultural Conservation Easement Project. It is intentionally separate and distinct from the purchase price of the proposed agricultural conservation easement. ***The incentive payment should not be included in the amount of consideration referenced in the easement document.*** While the incentive payment should be provided to the landowner at the closing of the agricultural conservation easement transaction, it should be presented as a separate payment from that representing the proceeds of the landowner’s sale of the perpetual agricultural conservation easement to the Grantee(s).

Category-specific Match Requirements & Stipulations

Match Contribution Requirements and Associated Stipulations for Conservation Easement Projects					
Maximum State Award	Maximum State Contribution	Other "Caps" on State Contribution	Minimum Local Match		Other State Requirements
			%	Cash	
\$2,000,000	87.5% of total project costs	(a) Preemptive Purchase Right ⁴ : 40% of value of development rights, or \$250,000, whichever is less ⁵ , AND (b) Easement Stewardship Fee ⁶ : \$10,000 per easement OR 50% of total transaction costs per easement	12.5% of total project costs <i>(solely from landowner)</i>	None specified	Use of Department conservation easement
\$2,000,000	Up to 75.0% of total project costs	(a) Preemptive Purchase Right ⁴ : 40% of value of development rights, or \$250,000, whichever is less ⁵ , AND (b) Easement Stewardship Fee ⁶ : \$10,000 per easement OR 50% of total transaction costs per easement	25.0% of total project costs	5.0% of total project costs or \$5,000, whichever is less, which shall not be borne entirely by landowner <i>(waived if development rights value fully donated);</i> EXCEPT IF Preemptive Purchase Right (PPR), then local cash match must increase to fully cover the balance of the cost of the PPR (none of which shall be borne by the landowner(s))	Use of Department-required conservation easement provisions provided remainder of conservation easement – (a) “shall not unreasonably restrict or regulate Farm Operations in contravention of the purposes of Article 25-AA of the AML,” AND (b) contains no reference to §247 of New York State General Municipal Law, AND (c) must be consistent with the “Purpose” and “Implementation” provisions as required by the Department
\$500,000	25.0% of purchase price plus all transaction costs <i>[Not available for Food Security, Climate Resiliency, or Source Water Protection categories.]</i>	(a) Preemptive Purchase Right ⁴ : 40% of value of development rights, or \$250,000, whichever is less ⁵ , AND (b) Easement Stewardship Fee ⁶ : \$10,000 per easement OR 50% of total transaction costs per easement	balance of all project costs	Federal farmland protection grant award	Purpose of conservation easement will (minimally) ensure that the land remains available for agricultural use

⁴ If the agricultural conservation easement includes a **Preemptive Purchase Right**, these additional stipulations must be met: (a) 25% of the land subject to that agricultural conservation easement must be comprised of Prime Soils (*i.e.*, NOT “Prime, if drained” or “Soils of Statewide Importance”), and (b) use of Department-required definition of “Qualified Farmer.” However, regarding stipulation (a), please refer to footnote “1” at the bottom of page 8. **[Refer to preceding page]**

⁵ The cap on Preemptive Purchase Right is waived for any **Food Security** category project whose acreage is no more than five (5) acres above the minimum size of projects as noted in Appendix A-6.

⁶ The limit on easement stewardship may be exceeded only if this fee is based on annual costs as determined in a policy adopted by the Grantee’s governing body, and, if so and if deemed reasonable by the Department, then this amount shall not exceed 50.0% of total transaction costs for each easement comprising the proposed project.

Category-specific Project Deliverables

Final Report

- (5) **Soil health assessment** (**required for** any **Climate Resiliency** category project or any **Food Security** category project, or for any other category project for which State funds were requested for this specific project cost); and

Category-specific Policy Guidance

- [“Developing a Land Plan for an Agricultural Conservation Easement \(GD#3\)”](#);
 - ***ONLY FOR a project that incorporates Agricultural Tourism***: Multiple Limited Compatible Use Areas may be designated or reserved and more than one Compatible Enterprise Area may also be designated or reserved to accommodate the diverse range of potential customers identified elsewhere in the application provided that the subject property offers a suitable location for each such Use Area.
 - ***ONLY FOR Climate Resiliency category projects***: A Limited Compatible Enterprise Area of up to 30.0 acres (provided the land uses within it are subordinate to the Agricultural Use of the lands to be protected) that is properly sited/scaled/configured ***exclusively for (a) community methane digester, or (b) community solar array*** (provided its siting/construction/decommissioning adheres to Department guidelines) may be incorporated into an agricultural conservation easement.

Category-specific Policy Guidance

- [“Definition of ‘Qualified Farmer’ for a Preemptive Purchase Right.”](#)

ONLY FOR Food Security category projects, the Department will consider (and only with its prior approval) some modification to the definition of “Qualified Farmer” provided that any revision:

- (a) is limited to the “gross sales of any one or more Crops, Livestock and Livestock Products of at least \$10,000 in the most recent taxable year” provision therein, and *For example, this definition may be modified to intentionally limit the Crops, Livestock and Livestock Products to be those exclusively used as food for human consumption.*
- (b) does not result in an unreasonable restriction on the land to be protected or on the Farm Operation associated with said land.

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Category-specific Program Specific Questions

- b2 You must respond to this question IF you selected the Access to Farmland category for your proposed project. Please upload a ONE PAGE narrative that provides a detailed description of the anticipated ownership change that will result from this proposed project. In your narrative, please be sure to describe (i) the seller's rationale/intention to sell to the selected buyer and (ii) the rationale/intention of the qualified farmer (i.e., the selected buyer) to purchase the subject property.

Whether for a “Farmland in Transition” or a “Buy-Protect-Sell Viable Agricultural Land” project, please be mindful as to the relevance of the resulting “diversity of owner-operators” when preparing your response to (i) and (ii).

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Category-specific Program Specific Questions *(continued)*

- You must respond to this question IF – (1) Climate Resiliency AND any portion of land to be protected is/was the subject of: (a) Climate Resilient Farming (CRF) award from NYS Soil and Water Conservation Committee, OR (b) Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities project, OR (c) Forest Conservation Easements for Land Trusts Program project, OR (d) Regenerate New York project = for each, upload documentation of that award; OR (2) b3 Source Water Protection AND any portion of the land to be protected abuts or is embedded within other land of this same Farm Operation that is/was the subject of Source Water Buffer Program award from NYS Soil and Water Conservation Committee = upload documentation of that award (Contact Bethany Bzduch (Bethany.Bzduch@agriculture.ny.gov) for assistance.). Please refer to Grants Gateway Application Submission Instructions for additional information.

Please note the following information from Section 3.7.2 (“Program Specific Questions,” page 6) of the ***Grants Gateway Application Submission Instructions*** pertaining to Program Specific Question #b3:

Program Specific Question #b3 – If applicable, you must upload the following documentation as part of your response to this specific Program Specific Question:

(1) For any Climate Resiliency category project IF any portion of land to be protected is/was the subject of (any one or more awards as identified below as items (a), (b), (c), and/or (d)):

(a) Climate Resilient Farming (CRF) award from NYS Soil and Water Conservation Committee, OR

(If (a), you must upload the following specific documentation:

- 1. that the CRF proposal received a score of at least 50% of adaptation/resiliency criterion possible points,*
- 2. award letter to the local Soil and Water Conservation District regarding the CRF award associated with this Farm Operation/property, and*
- 3. form SW1 from the awarded application.)*

(b) Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities project = award letter associated with this Farm Operation/property, OR

(c) Forest Conservation Easements for Land Trusts Program project = award letter associated with this Farm Operation/property, OR

(d) Regenerate New York project = award letter associated with this Farm Operation/property; **OR**

(2) For any Source Water Protection category project IF any portion of the land to be protected abuts or is embedded within other land of this same Farm Operation that is/was the subject of Source Water Buffer Program award from NYS Soil and Water Conservation Committee = upload documentation of that award (Contact Bethany Bzduch (Bethany.Bzduch@agriculture.ny.gov) for assistance.).

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Category-specific Program Specific Questions *(continued)*

- Category supporting documentation associated with other online resources: You must respond to this question IF – Food Security = upload documentation that more than 50% of the Farm Operation acreage is located within a recognized “foodshed” areas as depicted on a map as referenced in Appendix A-6 (“Project Eligibility Criteria – Food Security”) of this Request For Applications; OR Vineyard = upload documentation that the Farm Operation(s) (in whole or part) associated with the land to be protected is located within one or more American Viticultural Areas of New York (<https://www.ttb.gov/wine/ava-map-explorer>).
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View Appendix B: Foodshed Map (refer to page 5 of this webinar)

View NY Wine Regions map and American Viticultural Areas of NY online (refer to page 8 of this webinar)

- Active Agricultural Production on Agricultural Conservation Easement Project (Acres): How many of the protected acres are currently in active agricultural production (i.e., unless noted otherwise in the Request For Applications for a specific category, “active agricultural production” shall refer to the production of Crops, Livestock and Livestock Products as defined in New York State Agriculture and Markets Law Article 25-AA)? Please enter the estimated acres to the nearest whole-acre (i.e., no decimal fraction). *
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Footnotes associated with “Extent of Active Agricultural Production” for (1) Appendix A-2: Project Eligibility Criteria – Agroforestry, (2) Appendix A-4: Project Eligibility Criteria – Equine are the exceptions to “the production of Crops, Livestock and Livestock Products”

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Category-specific Program Specific Questions *(continued)*

- Extent of Farm Operation associated with Agricultural Conservation Easement Project category (% of Farm Operation): What extent of Farm Operation total acres are devoted to this category? Given your response to Program Specific Question #b1, sum the # of acres in Active Agricultural Production required by this category (see Grants Gateway Application Submission Instructions for additional info) and divide that sum by the # of total acres of the
- 4c Farm Operation (as noted in your response to Program Specific Question #11a, Part 2), then multiply by 100 to determine its %. [PLEASE NOTE: Denominator of this calculation will not be identical to your response to Program Specific Question #3 UNLESS all acres comprising the current Farm Operation will be protected by this proposed project.] Please enter the estimated % to the nearest whole number (i.e., no decimal fraction) and please do not type the "%" key when entering your response.

Please note the following information from Section 3.7.2 ("Program Specific Questions," pages 6-8) of the ***Grants Gateway Application Submission Instructions*** pertaining to Program Specific Question #4c:

Program Specific Question #4c – Active Agricultural Production associated with the category of this Agricultural Conservation Easement Project (% of current Farm Operation):

You may skip this question ONLY IF your response to Program Specific Question #b1 was any of the following categories:

- Climate Resiliency,
- Source Water Protection, OR
- Viable Agricultural Land-Other.

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Category-specific Program Specific Questions *(continued)*

For all other categories, please respond to this question by first compiling what will become the numerator of this calculation as follows –

Agroforestry:

For each of the following, how many acres of the Farm Operation(s) are devoted to –

- Production of maple sap
- Production of actively managed log-grown woodland mushrooms
- Production of farm woodland products (e.g., logs, lumber, posts, firewood, special forest product for food or medicinal uses)
- Livestock operation that incorporates silvopasturing (as defined in AML Article 25-AA)
- Managed Christmas tree operation (as referenced in AML Article 25-AA)

Equine:

For each of the following, how many acres of the Farm Operation(s) are devoted to –

- commercial horse boarding operation
- commercial equine operation

Food Security:

For ONE of the following, how many acres of the Farm Operation(s) are located within –

- any “foodshed area” depicted on the “Foodshed Map” contained in this Request For Applications; OR
- a “foodshed area” designated in any locally-adopted Agricultural and Farmland Protection Plan; OR
- a “foodshed area” designated in any published document (i.e., available to the general public) that has been adopted by the governing body of that entity, whether any municipality or county or any not-for-profit organization (recognized by NYS Charities Bureau Registry).

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Category-specific Program Specific Questions *(continued)*

Specialty Crops:

For each of the following, how many acres of the Farm Operation are devoted to –

- production of floriculture and bedding crops (as reported to USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service for the 2017 Census of Agriculture);
- production of fruits (including, but not limited to, apples, cherries, figs, peaches, pears, plums, or table grapes);
- production of melons (including, but not limited to, cantaloupes, muskmelons, or watermelons);
- production of nursery crops (as reported to USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service for the 2017 Census of Agriculture);
- production of nuts (including, but not limited to, chestnuts, hazelnuts, pecans, or walnuts);
- production of propagation materials (as reported to USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service for the 2017 Census of Agriculture);
- production of sod (as reported to USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service for the 2017 Census of Agriculture); and
- production of vegetables (including, but not limited to, asparagus, beans, beets, broccoli, brussel sprouts, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, celery, cucumbers, eggplant, garlic, herbs, lettuce, peas, peppers, potatoes, pumpkins, onions, radishes, rhubarb, spinach, squash, sweet corn, sweet potatoes, tomatoes, or turnips).

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SECTION 11 NURSERY, GREENHOUSE, FLORICULTURE, SOD, MUSHROOMS, VEGETABLE SEEDS, AND PROPAGATIVE MATERIALS																	
<p>1. Were any nursery, floriculture, or greenhouse crops, including ornamental plants, flowers, mushrooms, aquatic plants, sod, food and other crops grown under protection, vegetable seeds, flower seeds, or other propagative materials grown for sale on this operation in 2017? Report food crops temporarily covered for early germination, frost protection, etc. in SECTION 12 or 13.</p> <p>INCLUDE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> crops produced, including under contract food crops grown in greenhouses, caves, and high tunnels where crops were always covered <p>EXCLUDE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> home garden, personal or home use crops finished plants purchased from others and resold <p>1032 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Complete this section 3 <input type="checkbox"/> No - Go to SECTION 12</p>																	
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<p>FLORICULTURE AND BEDDING CROPS CODE</p> <p>Bedding/Garden plants - annuals, herbaceous perennials, vegetable plants - Include hanging baskets 0479</p> <p>Cut flowers and cut florist greens 0485</p> <p>Foliage plants, indoor - Include hanging baskets 0707</p> <p>Potted flowering plants 0710</p> <p>Other floriculture and bedding, specify above. 1015</p> <p>NURSERY CROPS CODE</p> <p>Nursery stock - ornamentals, shrubs, shade trees, flowering trees, evergreens, live Christmas trees, fruit and nut trees and plants, vines, palms, ornamental grasses, and bareroot herbaceous perennials 0488</p> <p>Aquatic plants. 0880</p> <p>SOD CODE</p> <p>Sod harvested. 0497</p>	<p>PROPAGATIVE MATERIALS SOLD CODE</p> <p>Bulbs, corms, rhizomes, and tubers, dry. 0482</p> <p>Cuttings, seedlings, liners, plugs 1002</p> <p>Flower seeds. 0882</p> <p>Tobacco plants sold for transplant to farm fields 1004</p> <p>Vegetable seeds 0884</p> <p>Vegetable transplants to farm fields. 1006</p> <p>FOOD CROPS GROWN UNDER GLASS OR OTHER PROTECTION CODE</p> <p>Tomatoes. 1019</p> <p>Other vegetables and fresh cut herbs. 0503</p> <p>Fruits and berries. 1008</p> <p>MUSHROOM CROPS CODE</p> <p>Mushrooms - Report growing area and sales. 0494</p> <p>Mushroom spawn - Report sales only. 2495</p>
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Vineyard:

How many acres of the Farm Operation are located within of any of these American Viticultural Areas of New York (compile your documentation using a map derived from <https://www.ttb.gov/wine/ava-map-explorer>) –

- Champlain Valley of New York Region
- Finger Lakes Region
- Hudson River Region
- Lake Erie Region
- Long Island Region
- Niagara Escarpment and Greater Niagara Region
- Upper Hudson Region

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- 7a Unique and Irreplaceable Agricultural Land on Agricultural Conservation Easement Project (Acres): ONLY respond to this question IF you are proposing a Food Security OR a Specialty Crops OR a Vineyard category project – How many of the protected acres are Unique and Irreplaceable Agricultural Land (as defined in AML Article 25-AA)? (NOTE: Unique and Irreplaceable Agricultural Land is distinct from that referenced in Program Specific Questions #5a and #6a (i.e., these are NOT Prime Soils and NOT Soils of Statewide Importance).

- 7b Unique and Irreplaceable Agricultural Land on Agricultural Conservation Easement Project (% of project): ONLY respond to this question IF you are proposing a Food Security OR a Specialty Crops OR a Vineyard category project – What extent of the protected acres does this represent (i.e., # of acres of Unique and Irreplaceable Agricultural Land divided by the # of protected acres, then multiply by 100 to determine its %)? Please enter the estimated % to the nearest whole number (i.e., no decimal fraction) and please do not type the "%" key when entering your response.

- 8 Soil Survey Map: Please provide a soil survey map showing the boundaries of: (a) the proposed Agricultural Conservation Easement Project; and (b) all Prime Soils and all Soils of Statewide Importance (please delineate each type separately) located within the boundaries of the proposed Agricultural Conservation Easement Project. ONLY for Food Security or Specialty Crops or Vineyard category projects, you MUST also delineate the boundaries of "Unique and irreplaceable agricultural land" as defined in AML Article 25-AA. Please refer to Grants Gateway Application Submission Instructions for additional information.

Please note the following information from Section 3.7.2 ("Program Specific Questions," page 8) of the ***Grants Gateway Application Submission Instructions*** pertaining to Program Specific Question #8:

Program Specific Question #8 – Soil Survey Map(s):

For Climate Resiliency category projects: If applicable, you must depict on the soil survey map(s) the percent (%) of any soil series located within the Farm Area having a land capability subclass "s" (as defined by the U.S. Department of Agriculture).

For Food Security category projects: If applicable, you must depict on the soil survey map(s) the percent (%) of any soil series located within the Farm Area having a land capability subclass "s" (as defined by the U.S. Department of Agriculture).

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Please note the following information from Section 3.7.2 (“Program Specific Questions,” pages 9-11) of the ***Grants Gateway Application Submission Instructions*** pertaining into Program Specific Question #10 (site plan):

In addition to the above requirements for all site plans, please be sure to incorporate these additional items, if applicable, to your application:

For Agroforestry category projects:

- Within the Farm Area, indicate where each qualifying crop or livestock is produced (i.e., for each crop or livestock associated with the numerator you compiled for Program Specific Question #4c, please depict where those acres are located within the Farm Area for each such crop/livestock). You may create an additional page in the site plan to depict the requested information.
- If applicable, any livestock operation that incorporates silvopasturing must indicate all silvopasturing areas within the Farm Area depicted on the site plan. You may create an additional page in the site plan to depict the requested information.

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For Climate Resiliency category projects:

- If applicable, please include a Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM, as published by the U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)) depicting the Farm Area as documentation that at least 90% of the Farm Area acreage is located within Zone C or Zone X (unshaded). The FIRM should be a separate page of this site plan.
- If applicable, please indicate on the site plan wherever permanent vegetative cover exists on any portion of the land to be protected. For purposes of this application, “permanent vegetative cover” means trees, shrubs, perennial grasses, perennial legumes, or any combination of these types of plants with an expected life span of at least 5 years. Permanent vegetative cover would be exhibited by any of the following: (a) woodland or forest, (b) grassland, (c) wetland, (d) riparian buffer, (e) permanent hayland, (f) permanent pasture, or (g) silvopasture. Please specify the extent of the proposed Agricultural Conservation Easement Project (as a %) that is comprised of permanent vegetative cover. You may create an additional page in the site plan to depict the requested information.

For Equine category projects:

- Indicate where each type of commercial operation is conducted (i.e., for each type of commercial operation (commercial horse boarding operation and commercial equine operation) associated with the numerator you compiled for Program Specific Question #4c, please depict where those acres are located within the Farm Area for each such type of commercial operation). You may create an additional page in the site plan to depict the requested information.

For Specialty Crops category projects:

- Within the Farm Area, indicate where each qualifying crop is produced (i.e., for each crop associated with the numerator you compiled for Program Specific Question #4c, please depict where those acres are located within the Farm Area for each such crop). You may create an additional page in the site plan to depict the requested information.

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For Source Water Protection category projects:

- If applicable, please indicate on the site plan wherever surface waters (including wetland areas directly adjoining the surface water that is) designated by the NYS Department of Health as an active or potential source of public drinking water or as designated by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation as Class A, Class A-Special, Class AA, or Class AA-Special directly adjoin any portion of the land to be protected; OR
- If applicable, please indicate on the site plan any portion of the land to be protected that lies atop an aquifer designated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as a Sole Source Aquifer (You may create an additional page in the site plan to depict this requested information.); OR
- If applicable, please indicate on the site plan any portion of the land to be protected that lies atop an aquifer designated by the NYS Department of Health as a Primary Aquifer (You may create an additional page in the site plan to depict this requested information.); OR
- If applicable, please indicate on the site plan any portion of the land to be protected that lies atop an aquifer designated by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation as a Principal Aquifer (You may create an additional page in the site plan to depict this requested information.).

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Is your proposed project in the Agroforestry category? If "yes," you must upload one of the following: (a) a plan describing the management of the forest on the subject property, or (b) a letter from an agency or organization certifying that the management of the forest on the subject property is acceptable.

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12 Long-term Viability: Please upload a ONE PAGE narrative that describes how the proposed Agricultural Conservation Easement Project will help ensure the long-term viability of the Farm Operation(s) associated with the lands to be protected. Your response must incorporate an explanation as to how/why the category selected for Program Specific Question #b1 will help achieve such long-term viability. (In your response, please be sure to emphasize why you selected that particular category.) In your consideration of "long-term viability" and based on available data regarding future extreme weather events and hazard risk analysis, please include the likelihood of flooding resulting from (i) sea level rise, (ii) storm surge associated with extreme storms, and (iii) more frequent extreme precipitation events.

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NOTE:

- Please remember to submit all questions in writing.
- For your convenience, feel free to send them via email to:
david.behm@agriculture.ny.gov

Good luck!

Cheers!



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